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ABSTRACT

This volume is the second annual Texas Public Library Summary. It contains information as submitted by local public libraries on their 1994 Annual Report forms. The contents include: analytical tables; statistical summary overview; operating and materials expenditures adjusted for inflation; Texas library per capita data compared to U.S. averages; operating income per capita; income and percent of population served by type of library; salary and staffing data; number of public libraries by state; public library income from all sources; 1993 operating expenditures by state; direct expenditures per capita; circulation per capita; reference transactions per capita; and rank order of Texas public libraries by population served. Results show that Texas libraries improved in some key categories from 1993 to 1994. Income and expenditure increased in all categories. Library visits increased by approximately 5% and reference transactions per capita increased 7.7%. Libraries added a total of 159 new paid staff positions in 1994, 35 of which were MLS librarians. Several other measures showed their first decline in several years. Circulation per capita declined almost 5%, and the number of book items per capita and total items decreased. While spending has increased in Texas public libraries from 1985 to 1994, the increases have not kept pace with inflation. Texas trails the nation in library support, spending only $11.09 per capita for public library service compared to the national average of $19.16. (SWC)

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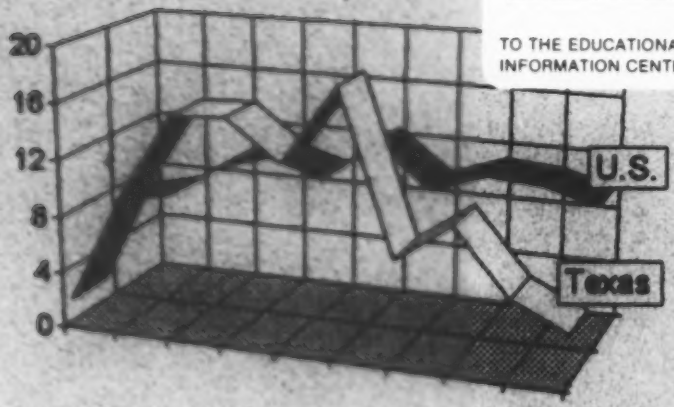

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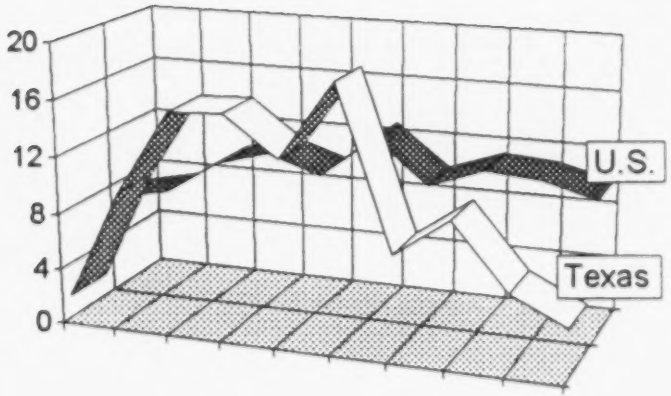

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Introduction

This is the second annual *Texas Public Library Summary*. It contains information as submitted by local public libraries on their 1994 Annual Report forms. Detailed data from each public library is published in a separate volume, *Texas Public Library Statistics for 1994*.

The following tables and charts present aggregate data on Texas libraries. They contain analytical tables that allow a library to compare its activity to that of similar libraries across the state. Charts and maps compare Texas library expenditure and service data to other libraries in the U.S. A new page in this year's book analyzes staffing data for Texas public libraries and another demonstrates inflation-adjusted figures for total operating and library materials expenditures for the past ten years.

Texas libraries improved in some key categories from 1993 to 1994. Income and Expenditure increased in all categories. Library visits increased by about 5% and reference transactions per capita showed a sharp increase of 7.7% from 1.03 in 1993 to 1.11 in 1994. Libraries added a total of 159 new paid staff positions in 1994, 35 of which (22%) were MLS librarians.

Several other measures, however, showed their first decline in several years. Circulation per capita dropped almost 5% from 4.54 to 4.32. The number of book items per capita held in Texas public libraries decreased and total items held fell from from 3.17 to 3.13. The expenditure charts showing inflation-adjusted library expenditures offers some clue to this situation. While spending has increased in Texas public libraries from a total of $120 million in 1985 to over $180 million in 1994, these increases have not kept pace with inflation, making those 1994 dollars worth only $137 million 1985 dollars. And Texas trails the nation in library support, spending only $11.09 per capita for public library service compared to the national average of $19.16.

With these charts and tables, we have attempted to anticipate the needs of librarians in the state for comparison data. Situations will arise, however, that require different data or data in a different format. I encourage any Texas public library staff in need of customized data to call me at 512/463-5527.

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Table 1 - Annual Per Capita Expenditures for Salaries

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	53	*	2.80	7.22	11.23	65.26	9.94
2,000-4,999	124	*	2.33	4.52	8.37	26.42	6.65
5,000-9,999	107	0.03	3.01	4.60	7.34	19.20	5.66
10,000-14,999	54	0.16	3.12	4.62	6.57	16.99	5.43
15,000-24,999	47	1.82	3.89	6.69	8.51	27.98	7.29
25,000-49,999	46	1.36	4.07	6.01	8.88	16.90	6.60
50,000-99,999	24	1.56	4.33	7.59	9.81	16.49	7.76
100,000-249,999	20	1.81	5.55	7.45	8.85	19.00	7.97
Over 250,000	9	4.92	6.07	6.76	9.63	14.75	8.41
State Total	484	*	3.15	5.70	8.58	65.26	6.85

* = less than .01

Note: Total wages and benefits (from 1994 AR/SMA question 3) divided by population served

Table 2 - Population per ALA/MLS Librarian

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	3	2,355	2,625	2,896	2,987	3,078	2,776
2,000-4,999	11	2,072	4,283	4,800	5,329	7,203	4,607
5,000-9,999	13	2,862	6,401	7,839	9,971	17,768	8,532
10,000-14,999	12	3,567	11,006	13,155	14,701	23,940	12,743
15,000-24,999	26	2,608	15,731	17,806	21,414	24,580	16,460
25,000-49,999	45	5,736	11,672	19,855	30,000	45,023	22,432
50,000-99,999	23	5,500	9,962	15,099	27,064	54,752	19,917
100,000-249,999	20	5,573	10,066	12,613	18,585	34,508	15,520
Over 250,000	9	7,693	8,832	13,324	16,112	16,651	12,679
State Total	162	2,072	8,284	13,633	21,784	54,752	16,370

Note: Population served divided by number of ALA/MLS librarians (from 1994 AR/SMA question 48)

Table 3 - Population per FTE Employee

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	53	288	1,222	1,744	2,753	15,870	2,475
2,000-4,999	125	668	1,878	3,032	4,862	9,848	3,682
5,000-9,999	108	1,117	2,339	3,393	5,601	39,078	5,024
10,000-14,999	54	1,612	3,322	3,996	5,584	49,009	6,099
15,000-24,999	47	1,180	2,520	3,529	4,832	8,346	3,806
25,000-49,999	46	1,510	2,940	3,616	5,134	14,984	4,323
50,000-99,999	24	1,519	2,641	3,166	4,977	12,588	4,148
100,000-249,999	20	1,504	2,816	3,322	4,717	7,673	3,816
Over 250,000	9	1,812	2,542	3,947	4,132	5,726	3,492
State Total	486	288	2,210	3,311	4,957	49,009	4,220

Note: Population served divided by number of full-time equivalent employees (from 1994 AR/SMA question 51 "Total library paid staff").

Table 4 - Annual Per Capita Expenditures for Materials

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	55	0.10	0.80	2.37	4.64	14.52	3.59
2,000-4,999	127	0.06	0.53	1.15	2.02	7.56	1.61
5,000-9,999	108	0.04	0.61	1.21	1.69	4.80	1.32
10,000-14,999	53	0.16	0.70	1.00	1.48	4.66	1.21
15,000-24,999	48	0.06	0.89	1.39	2.19	4.77	1.66
25,000-49,999	46	0.35	0.93	1.32	1.68	3.92	1.47
50,000-99,999	24	0.33	1.05	1.72	2.28	3.14	1.77
100,000-249,999	20	0.69	1.15	1.44	2.27	3.47	1.71
Over 250,000	9	1.51	1.74	1.86	2.09	2.75	2.00
State Total	490	0.04	0.75	1.30	2.17	14.52	1.73

Note: Materials expenditures (from 1994 AR/SMA question 9 "subtotal collection") divided by population

Table 5 - Items per Capita

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	54	0.89	5.91	9.07	13.80	48.67	11.35
2,000-4,999	123	0.17	3.68	5.06	6.35	11.87	5.17
5,000-9,999	101	1.17	2.44	3.05	4.20	27.13	3.67
10,000-14,999	52	0.37	1.82	2.46	2.96	4.94	2.56
15,000-24,999	47	0.74	1.62	2.20	3.06	4.63	2.35
25,000-49,999	44	0.49	1.34	1.79	2.12	2.88	1.75
50,000-99,999	22	0.70	1.18	1.55	1.78	4.18	1.62
100,000-249,999	18	0.18	0.86	1.12	1.36	2.19	1.15
Over 250,000	7	0.34	0.52	0.61	0.66	1.91	0.75
State Total	468	0.17	1.93	3.01	5.07	48.67	4.29

Total items (from 1994 AR/SMA question 38 "Volumes, Items, or Physical Units") divided by population served

Table 6 - Periodical Subscription Per 1,000 Population

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	44	0.57	3.20	13.74	22.81	72.13	17.23
2,000-4,999	116	0.21	2.37	5.49	11.77	41.42	7.98
5,000-9,999	102	0.38	2.37	4.69	7.43	17.27	5.35
10,000-14,999	53	0.47	2.71	4.41	6.37	22.99	4.83
15,000-24,999	46	0.70	2.35	4.21	5.42	11.46	4.43
25,000-49,999	45	1.77	2.89	3.84	5.00	11.66	4.30
50,000-99,999	24	1.04	2.79	3.77	6.30	9.59	4.43
100,000-249,999	20	1.48	2.36	3.73	5.22	10.15	4.08
Over 250,000	9	1.92	2.42	3.07	3.95	5.80	3.47
State Total	459	0.21	2.49	4.54	7.46	72.13	6.77

Note: Total current periodical subscriptions (from 1994 AR/SMA question 39) divided by population served divided by 1,000.

Table 7 - Circulation Per Capita

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	55	0.35	2.89	5.64	11.73	65.52	9.63
2,000-4,999	126	0.35	2.11	4.26	7.30	24.32	5.44
5,000-9,999	110	0.20	2.46	3.89	6.08	20.26	4.69
10,000-14,999	52	0.19	2.62	3.47	6.26	11.62	4.35
15,000-24,999	49	1.14	3.15	4.55	7.05	11.46	5.09
25,000-49,999	46	0.24	2.62	4.09	5.91	9.46	4.42
50,000-99,999	24	0.59	2.34	3.62	6.01	8.78	4.06
100,000-249,999	20	0.91	3.15	4.00	5.92	9.71	4.63
Over 250,000	9	3.20	3.78	4.09	5.77	14.48	5.84
State Total	491	0.91	2.62	4.15	6.79	65.52	5.41

Note: Total circulation (from 1994 AR/SMA question 40 "Number of library circulation transactions") divided by population

Table 8 - Collection Turnover Rate

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	52	0.02	0.29	0.52	1.67	6.96	1.24
2,000-4,999	118	0.08	0.42	0.83	1.60	8.72	1.24
5,000-9,999	101	0.07	0.63	1.14	2.08	7.19	1.56
10,000-14,999	50	0.05	0.95	1.45	2.57	8.64	2.08
15,000-24,999	47	0.45	1.61	2.11	2.92	7.53	2.41
25,000-49,999	44	0.16	1.74	2.37	3.50	16.16	2.85
50,000-99,999	22	0.72	1.39	2.36	4.39	5.66	2.74
100,000-249,999	18	0.46	3.02	3.97	6.06	19.26	5.51
Over 250,000	7	2.14	5.46	7.39	14.92	27.38	11.10
State Total	459	0.02	0.70	1.48	2.58	27.38	2.06

Note circulations (from 1994 AR/SMA question 40) divided by total items (from 1994 AR/SMA question 38 "Volumes, Items or physical units").

Table 9 - Hours Open Per Week

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	57	6.00	20.00	24.00	35.00	48.00	26.81
2,000-4,999	127	10.00	22.75	30.00	39.00	60.00	31.23
5,000-9,999	108	9.00	32.00	40.00	45.00	60.00	38.35
10,000-14,999	54	9.00	39.25	43.50	46.75	60.00	41.90
15,000-24,999	49	16.00	43.00	48.00	52.00	64.00	47.07
25,000-49,999	46	40.00	48.00	52.50	58.38	66.00	52.57
50,000-99,999	24	44.00	50.75	56.50	60.50	70.00	56.76
100,000-249,999	20	57.00	60.75	64.00	67.13	73.00	64.03
Over 250,000	9	68.00	69.00	72.00	73.00	74.00	71.17
State Total	494	6.00	30.00	41.00	49.00	74.00	40.23

Note: Derived from 1994 AR/SMA Page 7 "Schedule of Hours" and Page 8 "Branch and/or Bookmobile Information."

Table 10 - Library Visits Per Capita

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	51	0.05	1.93	4.82	8.75	52.03	7.19
2,000-4,999	123	0.18	1.41	2.56	4.10	14.96	3.28
5,000-9,999	100	0.16	1.44	2.24	3.73	9.52	2.91
10,000-14,999	49	0.04	1.13	2.15	3.65	8.13	2.62
15,000-24,999	47	0.01	1.86	3.03	4.39	7.22	3.13
25,000-49,999	46	0.01	1.68	2.70	3.75	6.97	2.78
50,000-99,999	23	0.86	1.90	2.66	3.45	5.97	2.83
100,000-249,999	18	1.40	1.87	2.54	3.66	8.47	3.05
Over 250,000	9	2.12	2.74	2.92	3.52	4.91	3.17
State Total	466	*	1.52	2.61	4.04	52.03	3.46

Note: Total library visits (from 1994 AR/SMA question 44) divided by population served.

Table 11 - Reference Transactions Per Capita

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	47	0.02	0.10	0.23	0.74	32.75	1.25
2,000-4,999	124	*	0.07	0.20	0.51	4.33	0.42
5,000-9999	105	*	0.11	0.24	0.49	8.93	0.45
10,000-14,999	52	*	0.09	0.27	0.55	3.34	0.40
15,000-24,999	49	*	0.15	0.40	0.96	3.27	0.70
25,000-49,999	46	0.01	0.26	0.38	0.67	2.14	0.53
50,000-99,999	24	0.09	0.30	0.60	0.73	2.19	0.66
100,000-249,999	20	0.01	0.26	0.76	1.06	4.41	0.86
Over 250,000	9	0.41	0.66	1.11	2.55	3.48	1.51
State Total	476	*	0.12	0.28	0.64	32.75	0.59

* = less than .01

Note: Number of reference transactions received (from 1994 AR/SMA question 41) divided by population served.

Table 12 - Program Attendance Per Capita

Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	46	0.01	0.18	0.28	0.57	5.94	0.68
2,000-4,999	119	*	0.08	0.18	0.40	5.49	0.37
5,000-9,999	105	0.01	0.05	0.13	0.36	3.93	0.29
10,000-14,999	53	0.02	0.09	0.17	0.27	2.91	0.31
15,000-24,999	49	*	0.09	0.19	0.33	1.53	0.26
25,000-49,999	46	0.01	0.09	0.17	0.30	0.89	0.24
50,000-99,999	24	0.03	0.10	0.13	0.22	1.30	0.23
100,000-249,999	20	0.03	0.08	0.15	0.26	1.92	0.26
Over 250,000	9	0.11	0.12	0.14	0.17	0.31	0.16
State Total	471	*	0.08	0.17	0.35	5.94	0.34

* =less than .01

Note: Prgram Attendance (from 1994 AR/SMA question 42 "Number of persons attending programs/presentations") divided by population served.

Table 13 - Head Librarian's Salary

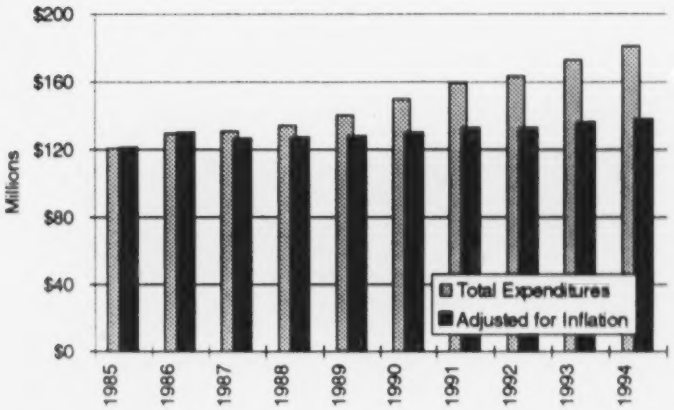
Population	Number of Libraries	Low	25th %ile	50th %ile	75th %ile	High	Average
Under 2,000	52	1	3,110	6,063	11,496	37,871	7,735
2,000-4,999	124	1	6,000	9,380	14,614	38,465	11,350
5,000-9,999	107	600	10,239	15,162	18,625	43,775	15,277
10,000-14,999	53	1,814	14,708	18,500	24,500	38,616	19,664
15,000-24,999	47	12,000	22,776	29,909	35,846	63,192	29,522
25,000-49,999	45	20,014	28,300	34,707	39,520	54,000	33,837
50,000-99,999	24	21,759	33,144	42,885	53,398	62,000	43,083
100,000-249,999	19	34,596	43,251	48,180	58,589	82,332	51,858
Over 250,000	8	48,000	58,641	74,007	77,903	86,000	69,586
State Total	479	1	9,120	16,530	28,984	86,000	20,694

Note: From 1994 AR/SMA question 53 "What was the Head Librarian's annual rate of salary?"

Texas Public Libraries
Statistical Summary Overview

	1992	1993	1994
Averages			
Total library income per capita ($)	10.78	11.15	11.45
Library expenditures per capita ($)	10.36	10.96	11.09
Salaries and benefits per capita ($)	6.9	7.36	7.49
Materials expenditures per capita ($)	1.65	1.69	1.73
Circulation per capita	4.4	4.54	4.32
Reference transactions per capita	0.96	1.03	1.11
Total items per capita	3.02	3.17	3.13
Totals			
City income ($)	127,910,228	132,106,907	142,364,781
County income ($)	31,128,762	31,670,978	33,176,663
School district income ($)	642,349	784,602	843,301

Total Library Operating Expenditures 1985-94
Adjusted for Inflation



Note: Adjusted by Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) average of Texas CMSAs
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Library Materials Expenditures 1985-94
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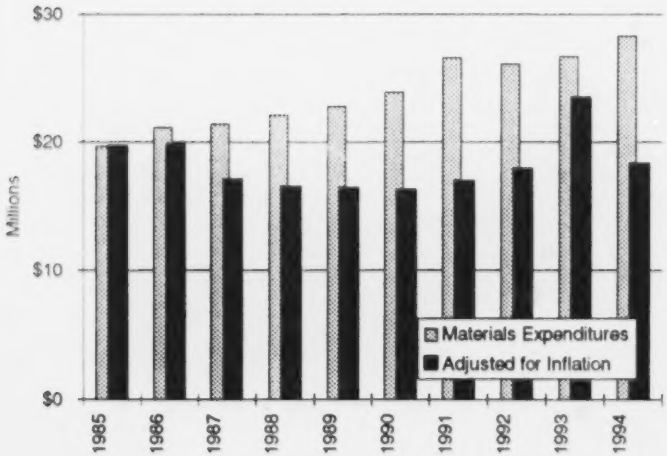
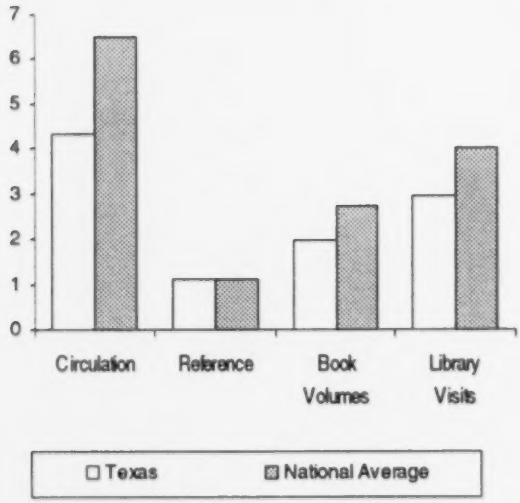


Note: Adjusted by index of U.S. hardcover book prices
Source: *Bowker Annual, Library and Book Trade Almanac.*

Texas Library Per Capita Data
Compared to U.S. Averages

Expenditures

Service Indicators



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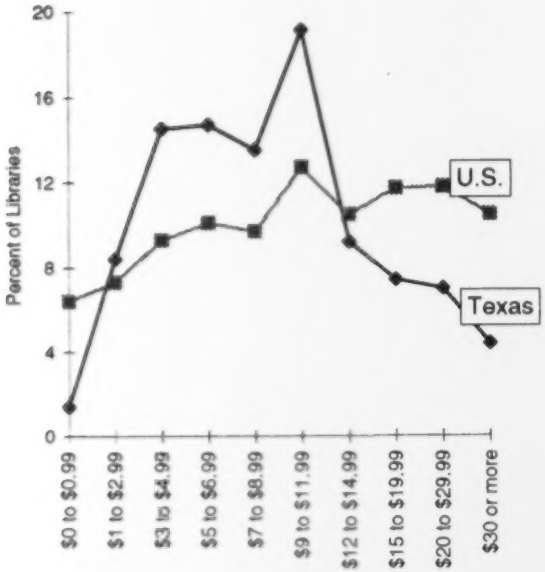


Income and Percent of Population Served by Type of Library

	Number	Income Per Capita	Percent of Population Served
City	272	$12.15	72.02
County	110	10.74	19.61
Federated	24	10.36	3.98
Non-Profit	65	5.29	2.89
City-County	10	6.69	0.59
Inter-local	5	6.24	0.45
Other	14	5.60	0.44

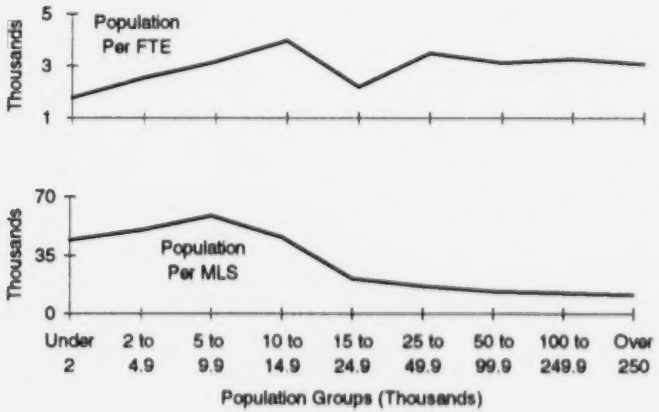
Salary and Staffing Data

Average head librarian's salary in Texas: $22,654
Average ALA/MLS head librarian's salary in Texas: $36,846
Average non-ALA/MLS head librarian's salary in Texas: $15,668
Average head librarian's salary in Texas towns under 10,000: $15,097
Estimated per capita income in Texas in 1994: $19,857*
Population per ALA/MLS librarian in Texas: 13,982
Population per ALA/MLS librarian in U.S.: 9,938**

* Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis as published by the Texas Comptroller
** Source: 1992 FSCS data published by the National Center for Education Statistics

Population Range	Number of Libraries	Number of MLS Librarians	Number of FTE Staff	Population Per FTE staff	Population Per MLS Librarian	% of FTEs w/ MLS
Under 2,000	57	2	44	1,767	44,193	4.0
2,000 - 4,999	129	9	175	2,541	49,839	5.1
5,000 - 9,999	110	14	258	3,161	58,755	5.4
10,000 - 14,999	54	15	171	3,969	45,929	8.6
15,000 - 24,999	49	48	304	3,281	20,964	15.6
25,000 - 49,999	46	98	464	3,486	16,431	21.2
50,000 - 99,999	24	123	530	3,103	13,384	23.2
100,000 - 249,999	20	244	926	3,272	12,413	26.4
Over 250,000	9	614	2,277	3,071	11,386	27.0
Total	498	1,167	5,149	3,164	13,982	22.6

Population Per Library Staff by Population Range



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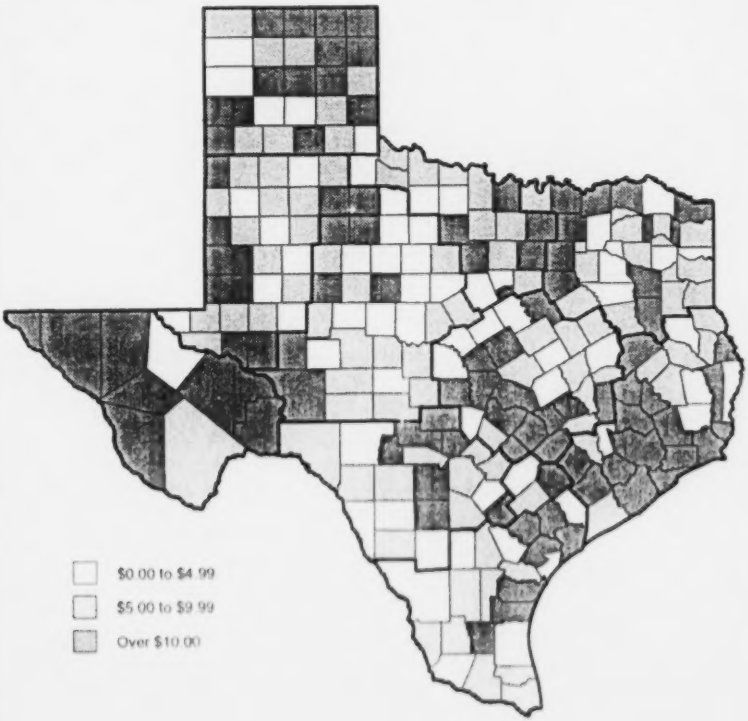

Note: Total direct operating expenditures for libraries in a county divided by population served in that county.

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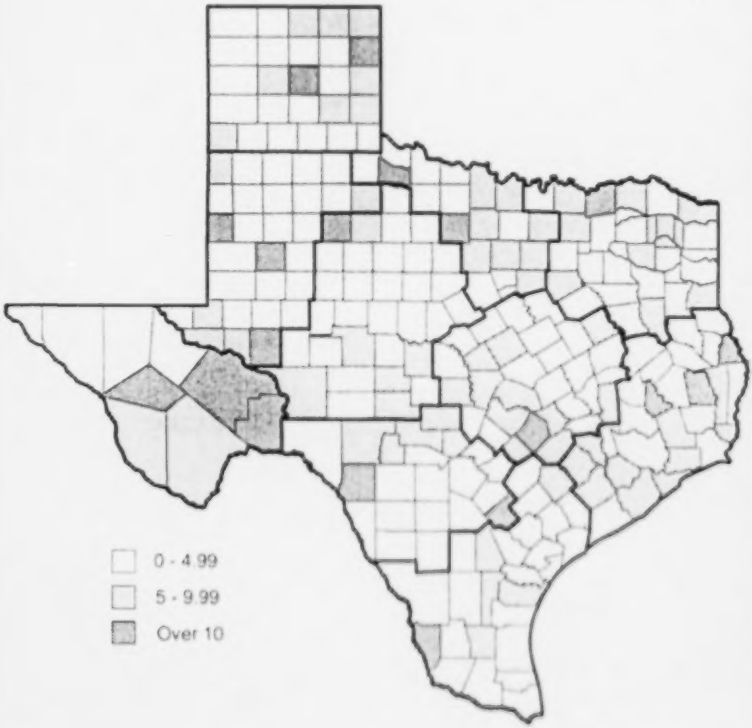

Note: Circulation for all libraries in a county divided by population served for that county.

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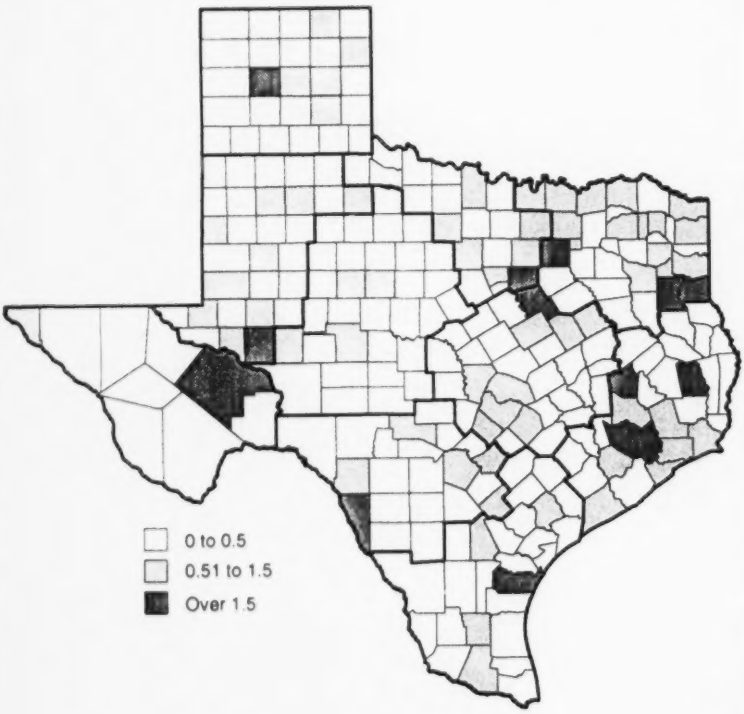
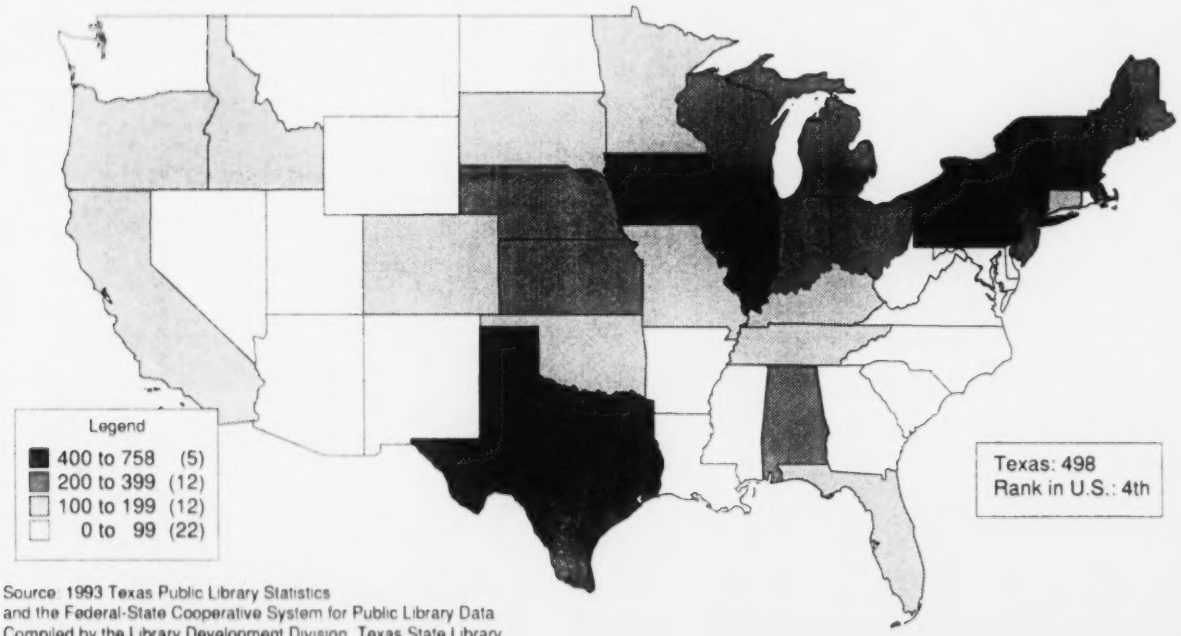


Note: Total reference transactions for a county divided by total population for that county.

Number of Public Libraries by State



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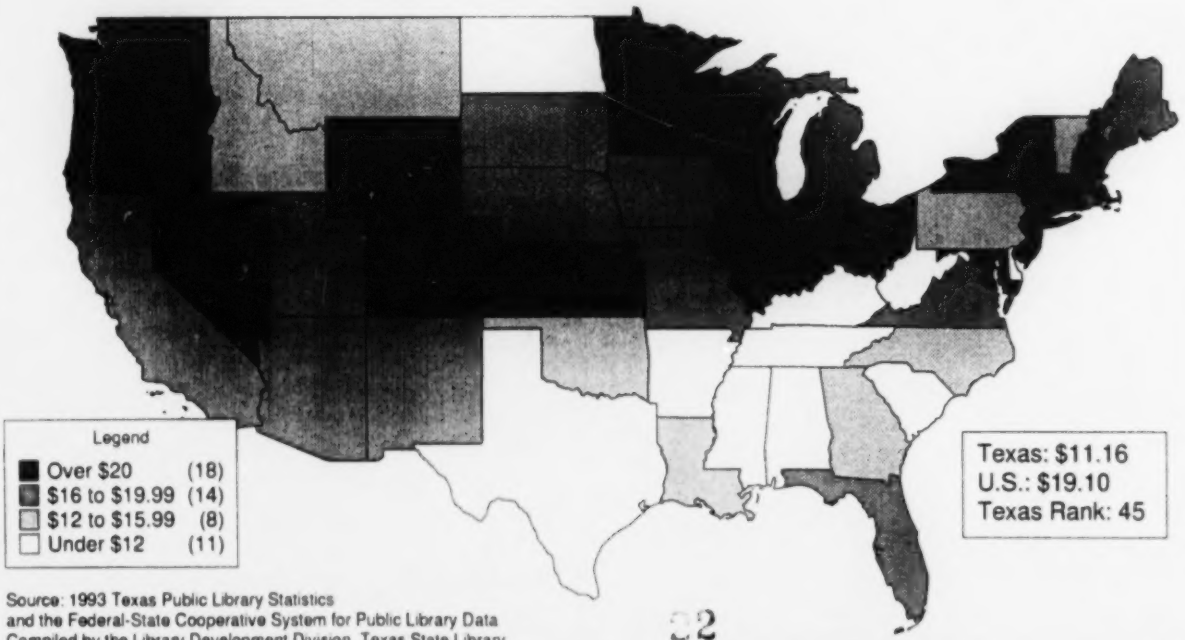

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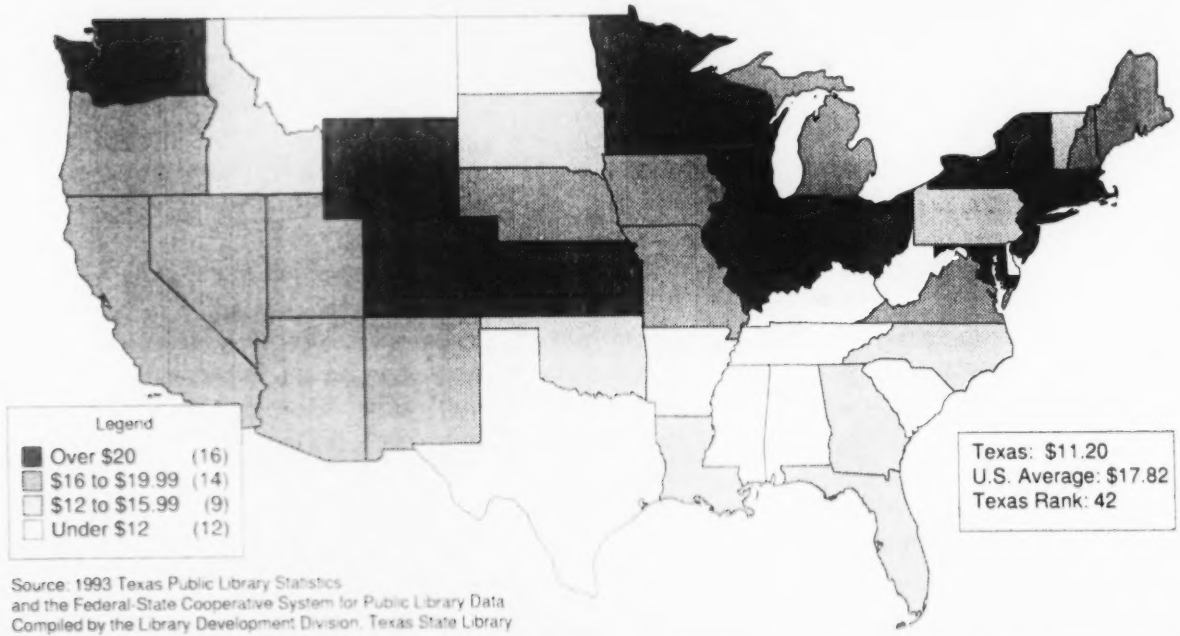
1993 Library Operating Expenditures by State



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Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
1,000,000 or more	4 libraries	
1,690,180	Houston	Member
1,199,165	San Antonio	Member
1,047,265	Houston/HCPL	Member
1,024,497	Dallas	Member
500,000 to 999,999	1 library	
543,813	El Paso	Member
250,000 to 499,999	4 libraries	
492,329	Austin	Member
454,430	Fort Worth	Member
275,907	Arlington	Member
266,412	Corpus Christi	Member
100,000 to 249,999	20 libraries	
225,155	Richmond	Member
212,452	Lubbock	Member
203,857	Angleton	Member
203,674	Conroe	Member
191,186	Garland	Member
174,558	Waco	Member
161,261	Irving	Member
161,065	Amarillo	Member
148,465	Laredo	Member
146,287	McAllen	Member
142,106	Plano	Member
138,030	Brownsville	Member
125,418	Pasadena	Member
125,159	Bryan	Member
122,338	Odessa	Member
115,494	Beaumont	Member
111,439	Midland	Member
108,324	Mesquite	Member
108,095	Abilene	Member
104,482	Grand Prairie	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
50,000 to 99,999	24 libraries	
99,110	San Angelo	Member
97,624	Carrollton	Member
95,018	Wichita Falls	Member
93,614	Longview	Member
89,357	Baytown	Member
80,582	Denton	Member
77,042	Victoria	Member
76,872	Tyler	Member
76,364	Richardson	Member
70,790	Galveston	Member
67,705	Lufkin	Member
66,574	Killeen	Member
59,677	Port Arthur	Member
59,105	Lewisville	Member
58,024	Pharr	Member
56,724	Grapevine	Member
55,487	Marshall	Member
54,752	Nacogdoches	Member
53,084	Mission	Member
52,883	Edinburg	Member
52,768	Weatherford	Member
51,962	Harlingen	Member
50,358	North Richland Hills	Member
50,102	Athens	Non-member
25,000 to 49,999	46 libraries	
49,569	Texas City	Member
45,103	Temple	Member
45,023	Palestine	Member
44,953	Rio Grande City	Member
44,653	Greenville	Member
44,312	Bedford	Member
42,492	Sherman	Member
41,796	New Braunfels	Member
41,334	San Marcos	Member
40,885	Henderson	Member
40,683	Del Rio	Member

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Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
39,939	League City	Member
39,892	Wharton	Member
39,710	Corsicana	Member
39,665	Euless	Member
38,204	Weslaco	Member
37,396	Alice	Member
37,306	Seguin	Member
37,276	Kerrville	Member
36,967	Duncanville	Member
35,386	Denison	Member
35,016	Round Rock	Member
34,822	Haltom City	Member
34,417	Hurst	Member
34,193	Brownwood	Member
33,867	Canton	Member
33,340	DeSoto	Member
32,601	Eagle Pass	Member
32,161	Big Spring	Member
32,122	Texarkana	Member
31,089	Granbury	Member
30,816	Kingsville	Member
30,000	Gilmer	Member
29,561	Gainesville	Member
29,367	Deer Park	Member
29,363	The Colony	Member
29,329	Terrell	Member
29,296	Friendswood	Member
28,746	Bay City	Member
28,198	San Benito	Member
27,439	Plainview	Member
26,512	Brenham	Member
25,578	Livingston	Member
25,559	Rowlett	Member
25,362	Borger	Member
25,184	Rockwall	Member
10,000 to 24,999	103 libraries	
24,772	Farmers Branch	Member
24,751	Paris	Member
24,697	Beeville	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
24,588	Levelland	Member
24,580	Copperas Cove	Member
24,192	Uvalde	Member
23,817	Hempstead	Member
23,738	Floresville	Member
23,271	McKinney	Member
23,154	Lancaster	Member
23,080	Burnet	Member
22,694	Cleburne	Member
22,590	Cedar Hill	Member
22,223	Pampa	Member
22,080	Carthage	Member
22,029	Mercedes	Member
21,949	Los Fresnos	Member
21,851	Donna	Member
21,784	Watauga	Member
21,624	Allen	Member
21,435	Beaumont/JCL	Member
21,349	Schertz	Member
21,323	Huntsville	Member
21,174	Flower Mound	Member
20,191	Coppell	Member
20,106	Port Lavaca	Member
19,860	Orange	Member
19,625	Village Mills	Non-member
19,118	Rockport	Member
18,881	Waxahachie	Member
18,769	Hereford	Member
18,691	Snyder	Member
18,462	Balch Springs	Member
18,438	Portland	Member
18,278	Raymondville	Member
18,058	Dumas	Member
17,906	La Marque	Member
17,810	Woodville	Member
17,714	Anahuac	Member
17,706	Fredericksburg	Member
17,309	Burleson	Member
17,258	Mansfield	Member
16,721	Nederland	Member
16,507	Groves	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
16,492	Smiley	Non-member
16,136	Sweetwater	Member
15,763	Georgetown	Member
15,720	Keller	Member
15,542	White Settlement	Member
14,893	Dublin	Member
14,821	Alamo	Member
14,599	Andrews	Member
14,577	Mineral Wells	Member
14,575	Vernon	Member
14,270	Seminole	Member
14,266	Bellaire	Member
14,112	Mexia	Member
14,094	Ennis	Member
14,062	Lamesa	Member
14,058	Sulphur Springs	Member
13,793	Pleasanton	Member
13,789	Clarksville	Non-member
13,634	Lake Dallas	Member
13,633	Universal City	Member
13,608	Kilgore	Member
13,584	San Diego	Member
13,533	Stephenville	Member
13,502	Newton	Member
13,423	Port Neches	Member
12,978	Brownfield	Member
12,937	Edna	Non-member
12,912	Commerce	Member
12,886	Harker Heights	Member
12,828	Littlefield	Member
12,649	Decatur	Member
12,591	Mt. Pleasant	Member
12,578	Jacksonville	Member
12,525	Monahans	Member
12,483	Midlothian	Member
12,285	Belton	Member
12,249	Azle	Member
11,970	Dickinson	Member
11,880	Taylor	Member
11,846	Forest Hill	Member
11,746	Fort Stockton	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
11,683	Llano	Member
11,635	Cameron	Member
11,393	Canyon	Member
11,336	Vidor	Member
11,298	Lake Travis	Member
11,272	Centerville	Non-member
11,254	Rockdale	Member
11,100	Bandera	Member
11,065	Kaufman	Member
11,062	Madisonville	Member
11,028	Wimberley	Member
11,025	Bridgeport	Member
10,704	Santa Fe	Member
10,553	Carrizo Springs	Member
10,406	Aransas Pass	Member
10,197	Dripping Springs	Member
10,139	Pittsburg	Member
10,131	Leon Valley	Member
5,000 to 9,999	110 libraries	
9,995	Seagoville	Member
9,971	Burkburnett	Member
9,831	Zapata	Member
9,809	George West	Member
9,733	Converse	Member
9,715	Hewitt	Member
9,631	Henrietta	Member
9,608	Wallis	Member
9,435	Lockhart	Member
9,428	Malakoff	Member
9,411	Wylie	Member
9,405	Coleman	Member
9,200	Palacios	Member
9,069	Elsa	Member
8,988	Cisco	Non-member
8,886	Saginaw	Member
8,884	Eastland	Member
8,851	Perryton	Member
8,820	Groveton	Member
8,755	Dimmitt	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
8,747	Highland Park	Member
8,693	Graham	Member
8,692	Comanche	Member
8,649	Alpine	Member
8,600	Rio Hondo	Member
8,562	Ingleside	Member
8,552	Breckenridge	Non-member
8,463	Kermit	Member
8,444	Floydada	Member
8,360	Dalhart	Member
8,332	Crystal City	Member
8,293	Boerne	Member
8,281	Tulia	Member
8,246	Buna	Member
8,219	Brady	Member
8,216	Bridge City	Member
8,187	Falfurrias	Member
8,107	Richland Hills	Member
8,067	Mathis	Member
8,046	Quemado	Member
7,964	Sinton	Member
7,942	Corrigan	Member
7,891	Mineola	Member
7,887	San Augustine	Member
7,839	Refugio	Member
7,831	Liberty	Member
7,828	Fairfield	Member
7,790	Teague	Member
7,699	Archer City	Member
7,671	Colorado City	Member
7,637	Sealy	Member
7,611	Roanoke	Member
7,562	Gladewater	Member
7,442	Hamilton	Member
7,388	Frisco	Member
7,342	Cleveland	Member
7,325	Lumberton	Member
7,276	Hitchcock	Member
7,242	Pearsall	Member
7,219	Crowley	Member
7,179	Crosbyton	Member

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Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
7,141	Hillsboro	Member
7,070	Winnsboro	Member
7,042	Crockett	Member
6,950	Jasper	Member
6,946	Emory	Member
6,865	Slaton	Member
6,768	Jacksboro	Member
6,725	Tahoka	Member
6,703	River Oaks	Member
6,629	Silsbee	Member
6,615	Marlin	Member
6,591	Haskell	Member
6,569	Navasota	Member
6,523	Cuero	Member
6,510	Groesbeck	Member
6,486	Panhandle	Member
6,421	Bonham	Member
6,401	Sachse	Member
6,361	Ballinger	Member
6,355	Lampasas	Member
6,348	Clyde	Member
6,258	La Feria	Member
6,201	Hondo	Member
6,164	Springtown	Member
6,161	Childress	Member
6,153	Mt. Vernon	Member
6,150	Canyon Lake	Member
6,144	Comfort	Member
6,132	Atlanta	Member
6,111	Iowa Park	Member
6,106	Port Isabel	Member
6,040	Goliad	Member
6,030	Gatesville	Member
5,783	Jourdanton	Member
5,724	Cedar Park	Member
5,707	Poteet	Member
5,682	Everman	Member
5,588	San Saba	Member
5,584	Dayton	Member
5,550	Howe	Member
5,534	Yoakum	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
5,527	Glen Rose	Member
5,431	Cotulla	Member
5,371	Kenedy	Member
5,286	Pflugerville	Member
5,133	Columbus	Member
5,107	Eagle Lake	Member
5,079	Hebbronville	Member
5,019	Hearne	Member
2,500 to 4,999	107 libraries	
4,977	Grand Saline	Member
4,973	New Boston	Member
4,965	Quanah	Member
4,961	Post	Member
4,903	Lake Worth	Member
4,888	Stanton	Member
4,883	Sheridan	Non-member
4,836	Bowie	Member
4,800	Luling	Member
4,796	Kennedale	Member
4,762	Elgin	Member
4,755	Taft	Member
4,754	Munday	Member
4,704	La Joya	Member
4,694	Center	Member
4,682	McGregor	Member
4,676	Cooper	Member
4,673	Whitesboro	Member
4,632	Crane	Member
4,577	Big Lake	Member
4,538	Sanger	Member
4,525	Rotan	Member
4,509	DeLeon	Non-member
4,508	Winters	Member
4,487	Quinlan	Member
4,470	Whitehouse	Member
4,432	Muleshoe	Member
4,425	Plains	Member
4,414	Karnes City	Member
4,395	Venus	Member

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Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
4,391	Rusk	Member
4,372	Denver City	Member
4,346	Bastrop	Member
4,309	Diboll	Member
4,257	Marion	Member
4,240	Sonora	Member
4,205	Forney	Member
4,197	Morton	Member
4,187	Seymour	Member
4,158	Aledo	Member
4,130	Spearman	Member
4,117	Giddings	Member
4,101	Junction	Member
4,072	Ozona	Member
4,042	Devine	Member
4,022	Lytle	Member
4,016	Cockrell Hill	Member
3,998	La Grange	Member
3,983	Olney	Member
3,979	Bulverde	Member
3,853	Leander	Member
3,790	Memphis	Member
3,737	Friona	Member
3,736	Blanco	Member
3,666	Stamford	Non-member
3,527	Kirbyville	Member
3,498	Clarendon	Member
3,488	Bellville	Member
3,480	Canadian	Member
3,477	Wellington	Member
3,436	Odem	Member
3,404	Kountze	Member
3,379	Shamrock	Member
3,349	Mason	Member
3,339	Smithville	Member
3,332	Robert Lee	Member
3,330	Baird	Member
3,297	Abernathy	Member
3,270	Kyle	Member
3,257	Caldwell	Member
3,246	Albany	Non-member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
3,235	Van Horn	Member
3,196	Brackettville	Member
3,173	Pilot Point	Member
3,148	New Waverly	Member
3,124	Weimar	Member
3,123	Boyd	Member
3,120	Presidio	Member
3,056	Eldorado	Member
3,015	Alvarado	Member
2,985	Electra	Member
2,953	Van Alstyne	Member
2,940	Johnson City	Member
2,906	Frankston	Member
2,898	Wolfe City	Member
2,888	Salado	Member
2,870	Hooks	Non-member
2,869	Hawkins	Member
2,797	Farmersville	Member
2,787	Stratford	Member
2,757	Nocona	Member
2,738	Hutchins	Member
2,719	Chico	Member
2,713	Alvord	Member
2,686	Trinity	Member
2,674	Hale Center	Member
2,622	Buda	Member
2,606	Anson	Member
2,605	West	Member
2,599	Rankin	Member
2,593	Wilmer	Member
2,587	Hallettsville	Member
2,580	Daingerfield	Member
2,574	Sour Lake	Member
2,555	Charlotte	Member
2,522	Marfa	Member
2,507	Lindale	Member
1,000 to 2,499	67 libraries	
2,462	Petersburg	Non-member
2,450	Leakey	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
2,431	Spur	Member
2,422	Schulenburg	Member
2,370	Sunnyvale	Member
2,361	Idalou	Member
2,325	Castroville	Member
2,322	Blue Mound	Member
2,298	Ferris	Member
2,279	Lago Vista	Non-member
2,278	Whitewright	Member
2,277	Wolfforth	Member
2,267	Port Aransas	Member
2,262	Menard	Member
2,259	Booker	Member
2,230	Vega	Member
2,184	Yorktown	Member
2,166	Cross Plains	Member
2,122	Wheeler	Member
2,094	Shiner	Member
2,079	Paducah	Member
2,076	Newark	Member
2,072	Celina	Member
2,051	Fort Hancock	Member
1,993	Shepherd	Member
1,989	Aspermont	Member
1,951	Krum	Member
1,931	Claude	Non-member
1,916	Fort Davis	Member
1,847	Earth	Member
1,805	Melissa	Member
1,793	Quitman	Member
1,766	Troup	Member
1,740	Pottsboro	Member
1,740	Rhome	Non-member
1,728	Laguna Vista	Non-member
1,724	Mabank	Member
1,704	Runge	Member
1,680	Leonard	Member
1,678	Honey Grove	Member
1,667	Crowell	Member
1,659	Belton	Non-member
1,652	Buffalo	Member

Rank Order of Texas Public Libraries by Population Served

Population Served (1994)	City	Membership Status (SFY 1996)
1,620	Mertzon	Member
1,609	Whitney	Member
1,587	Rocksprings	Non-member
1,573	McCamey	Member
1,569	Justin	Member
1,557	Iraan	Member
1,553	Eden	Member
1,539	Austin/Westbank	Member
1,511	Sterling City	Member
1,490	Gruver	Member
1,448	Aubrey	Member
1,418	Matador	Member
1,387	Kendalia	Member
1,387	Muenster	Member
1,352	Bartlett	Member
1,339	Sanderson	Member
1,335	Jonestown	Member
1,327	Flatonia	Non-member
1,222	Hemphill	Member
1,213	McLean	Member
1,136	Silverton	Non-member
1,060	Maud	Member
1,019	Miami	Non-member
1,013	Imperial	Member
1 to 999	14 libraries	
959	Jayton	Member
940	Florence	Member
914	Dell City	Member
905	Pineland	Member
879	Barksdale	Member
858	Texline	Non-member
756	Higgins	Member
737	Quitaque	Member
689	Falls City	Member
635	Lake Tanglewood	Non-member
610	Waelder	Member
584	Coldspring	Member
339	Guthrie	Member
305	Mount Calm	Member